

THE WHITE HOUSE
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON
DAILY DIARY

Date May 24, 1968

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	In	Out	Lo	LD		
	8:00	a			President awake	
	8:30	a			President had breakfast	
	9:00	a			Jim Jones and Larry Temple into bedroom	
C 9:04	a			f	Cong. J. J. Pickle in Austin Texas	
C 10:31	a			t	Mr. J. C. Kellam at the Ranch in Johnson City	
	10:50	a			George Christian into bedroom While George was in the President signed a picture for Colonel Cross (This is Colonel Cross' last day before leaving for Austin, Texas (Bergstrom AFB))	
	11:18	a			President to oval office w/ George Christian	
	11:20	a		t	Ji M Jones pl	

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	11:26a	12:18p			President through mjdr's office to Cabinet Room to meet with Mr. Lane Kirkland - Executive Asst. to the President, AFL-CIO Mr. Andrew J. Biemiller, Dir. Department of Legislation AFL-CIO (OFF THE RECORD) Director Arthur Okun Barefoot Sanders Joe Califano Agenda--Overriding necessity for a Tax Bill 2. Cuts are unwise but are secondary and can be remedied 3. If cuts are required, the President will talk with the liberal Leadership in Congress before those cuts are made. 4. The very adverse implications of defeat of the Tax Bill-"the chamber of horrors".	
	12:18p				President to oval office	
	12:20p	12:25p			Mr. Charles Gorey - Associated Press Photographer Mr. William C. Breed, Jr. - Chrm. of the National Board of Directors of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Mr. Victor Borge - Pianist--Comedian - National Campaign Chairman of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Miss Debra Dene Barnes - "Miss America 1968" representing her mother who is an MS patient Mr. Philip Bershad-Director of Public Relations for the Association Ms. Sylvia Laury - Executive Director of the Association.	

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✓	12:20p	12:25p			Mr. Borge presented a special Hope Chest Award to the President on behalf of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Plaque read: To Lyndon Baines Johnson to record with deep appreciation his distinguished leadership and significant contributions in advancing the nation's health. Presented by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society May 24, 1968 This group also gave the President a booklet entitled "Annual Report-National Multiple Sclerosis Society-1967"	
✓	12:25p	12:50p			Honorable Alan S. Boyd, Secretary of the Department of Transportation into oval office Secy. Boyd wanted to discuss Urban Mass Transportation; The Johnson Library and the report on Maritime and Airways and Airport Programs. Secy. Boyd gave the President a book entitled "The Freeway in the City"	

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					Mary then spoke up and told the President about Juanita's party last evening and her introduction to the "alligator" dance.	
	1:55p				President to Rose Garden with George Christian for LUNCH	
	2:10p				Ashton Gonellato Rose Garden	
	2:12p		f		Joe Califano	
	2:13p				Joe Califano to Rose Garden	
	2:52p				President to mjdr's office with George Christian and Joe Califano Rh	
	2:53p				President to oval office Phyllis in to signing table	

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	3:55p		t		Colonel Allbright	
C	3:58p			t	J. Lee Johnson of Fort Worth, Texas returning President's call.	
	4:09p		t		Walt Rostow pl	
	4:10p		t		Jim Jones pl	
	4:25p				President through mjdr's office on the way to the mansion. Charles Murphy was looking over night reading and President stopped to talk about Tax Bill.	
	4:27p				President to mansion to rest	
	5:30pm		t		Barefoot Sanders, pl	

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	5:45p		t		DeVier Pierson	
	6:10pm	6:20p			President arrived Cabinet Room from Mansion for audio taping of message for Oklahoma's "Fly the Flag Month"	TAPING AND REMARKS
					An Oklahoma City radio station is expanding a 5 year old project to "Fly the Flag Month". It is an effort to promote unity & Patriotism. Gov. Dewey Bartlett has issued an Oklahoma proclamation and agreed to urge action by 26 other governors due to meet in Okla. City next month-	
	6:20pm				In Oval Office	
	6:21p		t		Califano, pl	
	6:25pm	6:37p			<i>W. Erwin</i> Irving James of Houston in Oval Office - wanted to talk about the Federal Judicial situation in Texas and future vacancies. Also to urge Pres to attend Roy Hofheinz' "Red"	
	6:40pm		t		George Christian pl	Astro Word Sat. June 1st.
	6:45p	7:10p			In Oval Office - Arthur Krim	
		7:10p			Harry McPherson	
		7:10p			Walt Rostow	
		7:10p			Larry Levinson	
		7:12p			James R. Jones	
					This meeting was regarding "A Day in the Life of the President Johnson" films.	

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